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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Organization of work of the session

Note by the UNCTAD secretariat

1. The draft organization of work for the third session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, annexed to the present note, has been prepared to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within the time-frame available and in accordance with the conference services allocated to the Commission.

2. The draft is based on the provisional agenda adopted at the second session and approved by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1995 in decision 1995/237 and circulated in E/CN.16/1997/1.

3. The timetable below should be considered tentative and indicative. Should the Commission complete the general discussion on an item before the date shown, it may wish to move immediately to the next item.

4. The Commission is scheduled to meet from Monday to Friday, 12 to 16 May. Arrangements have been made to hold morning and afternoon meetings during the session. The morning meetings will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the afternoon meetings from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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Annex I

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK

The proposed organization of work for the third session of the Commission on Science and Technology is as follows:

Monday, 12 May

a.m.	Item 1	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters
	Item 2	Substantive theme: Information and communication technologies for development (Introduction and general discussion)
p.m.	Item 2	Substantive theme: Information and communication technologies for development (Continuation of general discussion)

Tuesday, 13 May

a.m.	Item 2	Substantive theme: Information and communication technologies for development (General discussion concluded) - Informal consultations
p.m.	Item 3	Science, technology and innovation policy reviews (Introduction and general discussion) - Informal consultations

Wednesday, 14 May

a.m.	Item 4	Action arising from the second session (Introduction and general discussion) - Informal consultations
p.m.	Item 5	Consideration of ways and means of commemorating in 1999 the twentieth anniversary of the Vienna Conference on Science and Technology for Development and the vision of the United Nations role in the area of science and technology for development (Introduction and general discussion) - Informal consultations

Thursday, 15 May

a.m.	Item 6	Role and activities of the Commission regarding the coordination of science and technology for development (Introduction and general discussion)
	Item 7	Election of the Chairperson and other officers for the fourth session of the Commission

- Informal consultations

p.m. Item 8 Provisional agenda and organization of work of the fourth session of the Commission
- Informal consultations

Item 9 Other matters
- Informal consultations

Friday, 16 May

a.m. Informal consultations on all pending matters

p.m. Item 10 Adoption of the report of the Commission on its third session
Closing of the session